If snow is as severe as predicted, local communities will need additional resources

New Jersey - Today, Congressman John Adler called on Governor Chris Christie to declare a state of emergency for Burlington, Camden, and Ocean Counties if the snow fall is as severe as predicted. An emergency declaration would provide the three counties with additional resources to assist in clearing the roadways and helping communities recover from costly damages.

"Blizzards put an enormous strain on our local families and businesses," Congressman Adler said. "I urge Governor Christie to take swift action this weekend and lift the burden from local taxpayers."

An emergency declaration by the Governor frees up state resources and allows the state to request federal assistance. The entire text of Congressman Adler's letter to Governor Christie is below.

Governor Chris Christie Office of the Governor Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Governor Christie,

There is a powerful winter storm headed towards the state of New Jersey. The National Weather Service predicts up to two feet of snow could fall throughout the state and parts of Burlington and Ocean Counties have already received a blizzard warning.

I urge you to declare a state of emergency for Burlington, Camden, and Ocean Counties if the snow fall is as severe as predicted. An emergency declaration will provide our counties with additional supplies and manpower to assist in clearing the roadways and helping communities recover from costly damages.

Our local communities may need emergency assistance to help families and small businesses safely handle the dangerous winter conditions. If a disaster is not declared, the taxpayers and

local municipalities will have to bear the brunt of the financial burden of this storm.
Again, I recommend you prepare to declare a disaster in Burlington, Camden and Ocean counties, so our local officials and first responders have the resources they need.
Sincerely,
John Adler

Member of Congress